

EVERSOURCE ENERGY
Form 8-K
February 02, 2017

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): **February 2, 2017 (February 2, 2017)**

EVERSOURCE ENERGY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts
(State or other jurisdiction
of organization)

001-5324
(Commission File Number)

04-2147929
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

300 Cadwell Drive

Springfield, Massachusetts
(Address of principal executive offices)

01104
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(800) 286-5000**

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Section 5

Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02

Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment

of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 2, 2017, Thomas J. May notified Eversource Energy (the Company) of his decision not to stand for re-election to the Board of Trustees (the Board) at the 2017 Annual Meeting of Shareholders scheduled for May 3, 2017 (the Annual Meeting). Mr. May will continue to serve as Trustee of the Company and non-executive Chairman of the Board and retire from the Board when his current term expires at the Annual Meeting.

Section 8

Other Events

Item 8.01

Other Events.

On February 2, 2017, the Company issued a news release announcing that the Board had approved an increase in the quarterly dividend to \$0.475 per share payable on March 31, 2017 to shareholders of record at the close of business on March 2, 2017. A copy of the news release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 9

Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01

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Exhibits.

| Exhibit Number | Description |
|-----------------------|---|
| 99.1 | News release, dated February 2, 2017, issued by the Company announcing dividend increase. |

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

EVERSOURCE ENERGY

(Registrant)

February 2, 2017

By:

JAY S. BUTH

Vice President, Controller

and Chief Accounting Officer

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